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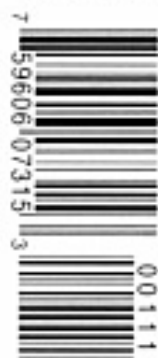
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DO YOU LACK FAITH, BROTHER...

OR DO YOU BELIEVE?



THERE ARE
SYMBOLS AND
SIGNS...



THE
LIGHTNING.



THE
BLACK SUN.



THERE ARE THINGS
PREDETERMINED.

FATE NEITHER
AVOIDED NOR
DELAYED.



BETRAYAL.



DEATH.



AND
THE GREAT
FALL...



RAGNARÖK.

IT
BURNS...





THE
WORLD TREE
BURNS...

SURELY
THIS IS THE
END OF ALL
THINGS.

ULTIMATE

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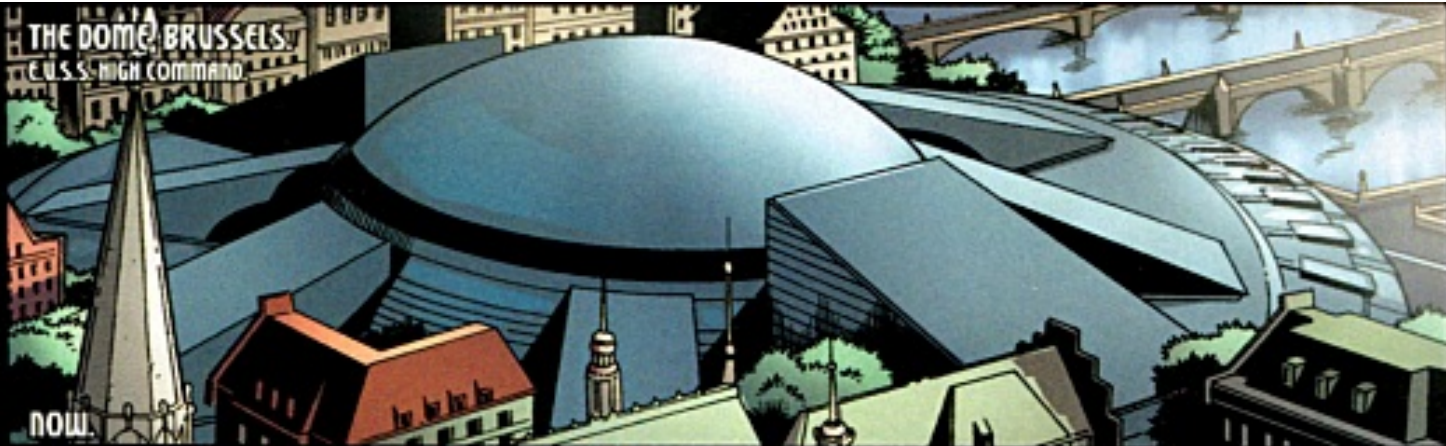
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REMEMBER, NOT ONLY WAS HE THE PERFECT SPECIMEN, BUT THE BELT, THE HARNESS, THE POWER SOURCE... ALL OF THESE WERE CREATED-- GENETICALLY KEYED-- TO SPECIFICALLY SUIT HIM.

WAS THE PROBLEM THE MAN, OR IS HE A VICTIM OF OUR TECHNOLOGY? WE HAVE TO KNOW.

AND YOU THINK THIS MAN CAN HELP?

HE'S AN EXPERT IN MENTAL HEALTH WHO PROFESSIONALLY DABBLES IN LINGUISTICS... I CERTAINLY HOPE THAT'S THE CASE.



DR. DONALD BLAKE, I PRESUME?

YES.



A PLEASURE. I'M PROFESSOR JAMES BRADDOCK. THIS IS MY SON, BRIAN.

THANK YOU FOR AGREEING TO THIS, DOCTOR.

OF COURSE.

FOLLOW ME. THE PATIENT IS THIS WAY.



CAN YOU GIVE ME AN UPDATE ON HIS CONDITION?

FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS, HE'S BEEN WRITING. A LOT. AT FIRST, WE THOUGHT IT WAS GIBBERISH--RANDOM SYMBOLS LOOSELY RELATED TO HIS... PERSONAL HISTORY.



ON A WHIM, BRIAN TOOK SOME PICTURES OF WHAT THE PATIENT HAD WRITTEN DOWN AND RAN THEM THROUGH IMAGE RECOGNITION SOFTWARE LINKED TO THE E.U. DIGITAL ARCHIVE.

WE FOUND OUT THAT A BUNCH OF IT IS FROM SOMETHING CALLED THE POETIC EDDA WHICH IS LIKE...

IT'S NORSE MYTHOLOGY.

YES.



I'D LIKE TO SEE HIM NOW.



HELLO.

AND YOU MUST BE THE MAN THEY HAVE SENT TO HELP ME. YOU'RE A DOCTOR OF PSYCHIATRY, I PRESUME?

AMONG OTHER THINGS.



THEN BE FOREWARNED. IT IS NOT DELUSION OR MADNESS YOU'LL FIND HERE, DOCTOR, BUT PURPOSE AND DESTINY. PROFESSOR BRADDOCK WILL HAVE TOLD YOU THAT I AM THORLIEF GOLMEN--THIS IS INCORRECT.

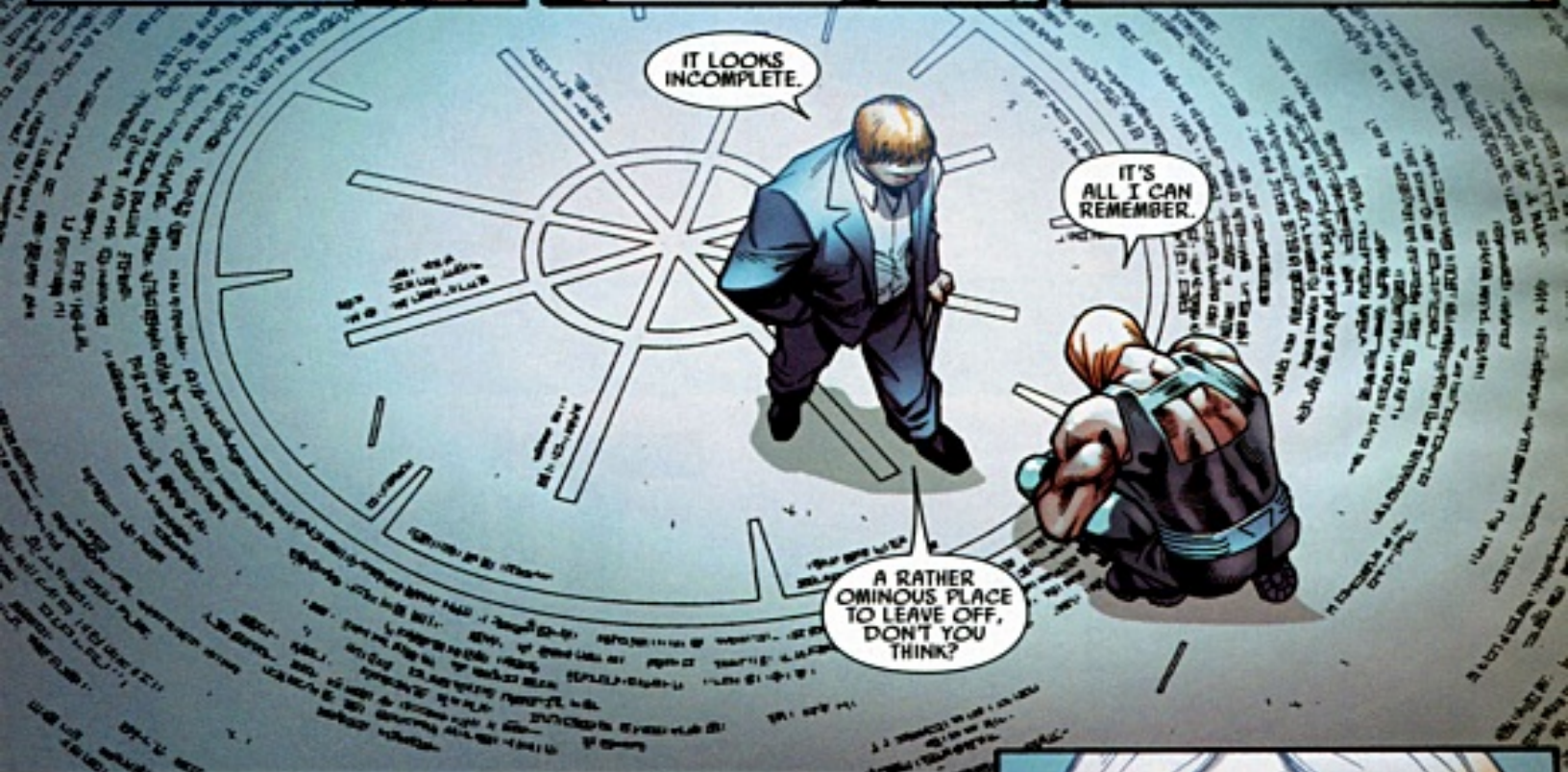
I AM THOR, GOD OF THUNDER, AND I WILL BE CALLED THE NAME MY FATHER GAVE ME.

OF COURSE, AND I AM ONLY HERE TO HELP YOU, THOR. WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME HOW I CAN DO THAT?

MAY I HAVE YOUR PEN? THIS ONE IS ALMOST EMPTY AND I'M ALMOST FINISHED.



CERTAINLY.



IT LOOKS INCOMPLETE.

IT'S ALL I CAN REMEMBER.

A RATHER OMINOUS PLACE TO LEAVE OFF, DON'T YOU THINK?



YOU CAN READ THIS?

I CAN.

THEN DO SO.



THERE IS A STORM COMING.



YES...

YES THERE IS.

WEWELSBURG CASTLE.
NORDRHEIN-WESTFALEN.



GERMANY. 1939.



JUST AS WE ARE STAGING
ON BOTH THE EASTERN AND
SOUTHERN FRONTS, YOU WANT
ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND
MEN FOR A SECRET
MISSION.

BARON...
YOU TEST MY
PATIENCE.



WELL THEN,
REICHSFÜHRER
HIMMLER, LUCKY FOR
ME THAT YOU ARE
A MAN OF GREAT
TOLERANCE.



SPEAK YOUR
MIND, ZEMO.
I DON'T HAVE
TIME TO PLAY
GAMES.



IT WOULD
BE BETTER JUST
TO SHOW YOU.





MEIN GOTT, THESE ARE...

THE STUFF OF LEGEND, REICHSFUHRER.

YES, FROM THE HIDDEN CODE IN THE SACRED TEXT-- THE POETIC EDDA, BUT IT ALSO SPEAKS OF USING THESE IN CONJUNCTION WITH SOMETHING CALLED AN ACCESS POINT.

THE RUNES ARE USELESS WITHOUT LOCATING ONE.

HOW FORTUNATE THEN THAT I HAVE FOUND SUCH A PLACE.

PREPARE AN IMMEDIATE CHANGE ORDER FOR THE GARRISON COMMANDER AT BUCHWALD.

ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND SS TO THE COMMAND OF BARON HEINRICH ZEMO.

YOU HAVE YOUR MEN, BARON.

HEIL HITLER.

ASGARD.

EONS AGO.



FURRY.

FURRY
NOW...



THE
WESTERN
WALL HAS
FALLEN.

AND THE
GIANTS OF ICE
JOTUNHEIM
HAVE BROKEN
THROUGH...



"...BALDER THE
BRAVE STANDS
ALONE."





TOOK
YOU LONG
ENOUGH.

THOR AND I
WERE WARM AND WELL
ENTERTAINED BY THE
WOMEN OF FOLKVANGA
FIELDS...

...CONSIDER
YOURSELF
FORTUNATE WE
CAME AT ALL,
BROTHER.



BE WARY,
BALDER...LOKI
LIES.

WE WERE
DRINKING AS
WELL.

BUT NOT
ENOUGH. SO SHALL
WE DEAL DEATH TO
THE RABBLE AND
THEN RETURN TO
LIVING...

FOR
ASGARD?



FOR
ASGARD!











YOU HAVE
TOO MUCH FAITH
IN THINGS THAT
MAY NOT
LAST.



AND YOU THINK
WE HAVE NO CHOICE
IN WHETHER THEY
DO OR NOT.

WE WARRIORS
THREE ARE NOT
SLAVES TO FATE.
LOKI, WE WILL MAKE
OUR OWN WAY.



AND I HAVE
TOLD YOU BEFORE.
THOR... RAGNAROK IS
REAL-- THERE WILL
BE A LAST DAY.

EVERYTHING
ENDS.



WHUMP!



GRIM.
ALWAYS
GRIM...

...AND
BORING.



REJOICE IN VICTORY,
BROTHERS...
REST EASY.

THIS DAY
BELONGS TO
THE SONS OF
ODIN.

AYE!



ISIGHE...

EVERY YEAR,
THE ATTACKS ON
OUR WALLS INCREASE.
PERHAPS MY MOOD WOULD
BE BETTER IF I BELIEVED
THERE WAS A WAY TO
WIN THIS UNENDING
WAR.

OH...
THERE IS,
LOKI...

...I
KNOW A
SECRET...

"...FATHER BUILDS
SOMETHING."

FORGE
IT IN FIRE.
ULIK.

FORGE
IT WITH
PURPOSE.

WORLD-CRUSHER
AND SUMMONER
OF LIGHTNING, IT
WILL BE CALLED
MJOLNIR.

THIS IS
THE SEASON
OF THE LONG
WINTER...



AND
ALL-FATHER
ODIN DEMANDS
A PERFECT
WEAPON.



1939.





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UNBELIEVABLE



BEHOLD
THE RAINBOW
GATE.

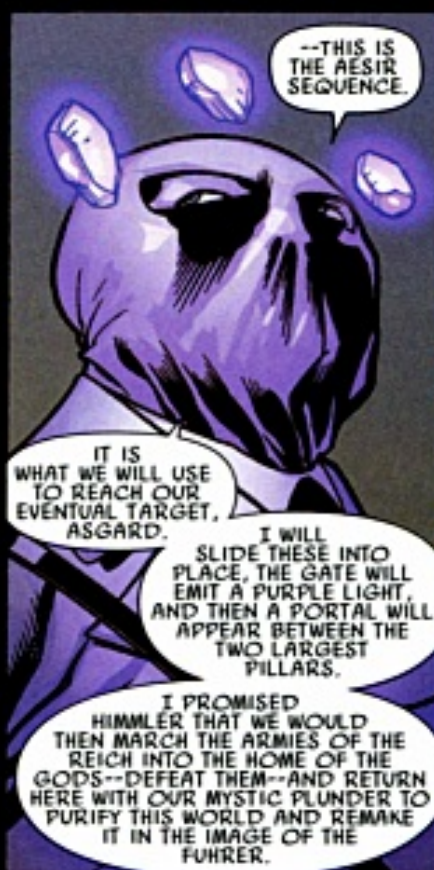


UNBELIEVABLE. BUT BARON,
HOW ARE WE SUPPOSED TO
KNOW WHICH STONE GOES
IN WHICH PLACE?

THE GATE
CAN ACCESS ANY
OF THE SEVEN
REALMS.

A STONE
CAN ONLY BE USED
IN CONJUNCTION
WITH ITS TWO SISTER
STONES. OBVIOUSLY,
THREE STONES MAKE
A SEQUENCE.

AND ALL
OF THESE, LIKE
THE LOCATION OF
THIS PLACE, WERE
FOUND WITHIN THE
SACRED TEXT. FOR
EXAMPLE--



--THIS IS
THE AESIR
SEQUENCE.

IT IS
WHAT WE WILL USE
TO REACH OUR
EVENTUAL TARGET,
ASGARD.

I WILL
SLIDE THESE INTO
PLACE, THE GATE WILL
EMIT A PURPLE LIGHT,
AND THEN A PORTAL WILL
APPEAR BETWEEN THE
TWO LARGEST
PILLARS.

I PROMISED
HIMMLER THAT WE WOULD
THEN MARCH THE ARMIES OF THE
REICH INTO THE HOME OF THE
GODS--DEFEAT THEM--AND RETURN
HERE WITH OUR MYSTIC PLUNDER TO
PURIFY THIS WORLD AND REMAKE
IT IN THE IMAGE OF THE
FUHRER.



BUT FIRST,
SOMETHING
ELSE...

WHAT?

ANOTHER
SEQUENCE...
LOWER ON THE
SPECTRUM.



ONE DOES
NOT TAKE THE
CITY OF THE GODS
WITH ONLY TANKS
AND GUNS.

WE WILL
REQUIRE
ALLIES...

...ALLIES WHOSE
HATE BURNS AS
HOTLY AS OUR
OWN.

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A GREEN GIANT SCAN

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